

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA**

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POPULARITY OF AYURVEDIC DRUGS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a survey funded by the Commerce Ministry and conducted by the Health Ministry has found that Ayurvedic drugs are becoming popular in the United States;
- (b) if so, the details of the suggestions and recommendations given in survey/report; and
- (c) the action taken by the Government on the suggestions and recommendations of the survey/report to make Ayurvedic drugs popular in other countries?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

- (a) to (c) Ayurveda is gradually becoming popular in the U.S.A. A survey funded by Department of Indian Systems of Medicine & Homoeopathy and Department of Commerce have made several recommendations including propagation of Ayurveda in U.S.A., drugs standardization and enforcement of Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP) etc in India.